## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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## **ORDER APPROVING FINAL SETTLEMENT**

The Court having held a Final Approval Hearing on January 28, 2021, notice of the Final Approval Hearing having been duly given in accordance with this Court's Preliminary Approval Order, and having considered all matters submitted to it at the Final Approval Hearing and otherwise, and finding no just reason for delay in order of this dismissal and good cause appearing therefore, IT IS ORDERED as follows:

1. The Settlement Agreement, including its exhibits (the "Settlement Agreement"), and the definition of words and terms contained therein are incorporated by reference in this Order. The terms of this Court's Preliminary Approval Order are also incorporated by reference in this Order.

2. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of the Action and over the Parties, including all members of the following Settlement Class certified for settlement purposes in this Court's Preliminary Approval Order, as later clarified in the Court's Opinion of this date:

Plaintiffs and all persons contacted by Alexander Glynn, Ann Fils, Charles Donisi, Jacon Mcleod, Jake Gabbard, Jason Espinoza, Kristina Calo, Scott Shapiro, Steve Guerrero, Witfield Jean-Baptiste, or Theresa Jones (or on behalf of any individual Agent, whether by a downline sub-agent, vendor, or other third party) who were sold an Agentra product at any time between May 8, 2014 to February 1, 2020, that were contacted on a cellular telephone or while they were on the National Do Not Call Registry for at least 30 days.

- 3. The Court hereby finds that the Settlement Agreement is the product of arm's length settlement negotiations between Plaintiffs and the Settling Defendant.
- 4. The Court hereby finds and concludes that Class Notice was disseminated to members of the Settlement Class in accordance with the terms set forth in the Settlement Agreement and that Class Notice and its dissemination were in compliance with this Court's Preliminary Approval Order.
- 5. The Court further finds and concludes that the Class Notice and claims submission procedures set forth in the Settlement Agreement fully satisfy Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the requirements of due process, were the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and support the Court's exercise of jurisdiction over the Settlement Class as contemplated in the Settlement Agreement and this Order.
- 6. This Court hereby finds and concludes that the notice provided to the appropriate State and federal officials pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1715 fully satisfied the requirements of that statute.
- 7. One (1) Settlement Class Member submitted a timely and proper request for exclusion. The Court hereby orders that this individual is excluded from the Settlement Class. This

individual will not be bound by the Settlement Agreement, and neither will this individual be entitled to any of its benefits. Further, another Settlement Class Member, Monica Abboud, was granted leave to intervene in this lawsuit and later objected to the Settlement Agreement. As discussed in the Opinion issued on this date, her objections and the proposed alternative relief that class-wide opt-outs be permitted were denied.

- 8. The Court hereby finally approves the Settlement Agreement and the Settlement contemplated thereby, and finds that the terms constitute, in all respects, a fair, adequate and reasonable settlement as to all Settlement Class Members in accordance with Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and directs its consummation pursuant to its terms and conditions. Each Settlement Class Member is hereby bound by the Settlement Agreement.
- 9. The Court hereby finds that the Settlement Class Members have been adequately represented by the Class Representatives and Class Counsel, that the relief provided is adequate considering the costs, risks, and delay of trial and appeal, the effectiveness of the proposed method of distributing relief and method of processing claims, the terms and timing of payment associated with Class Counsel's request for attorneys' fees, and all other relevant factors, and that the Settlement Agreement treats Class Members equitably relative to each other.
- 10. This Court hereby dismisses, with prejudice, without costs to any party, except as expressly provided for in the Settlement Agreement, the Action.
- 11. Plaintiffs and each and every one of the Settlement Class Members unconditionally, fully, and finally release and forever discharge the Released Parties from the Released Claims.
- 12. Each and every Settlement Class Member, and any person actually or purportedly acting on behalf of any Settlement Class Member, is hereby barred from commencing, instituting, continuing, pursuing, maintaining, prosecuting, or enforcing any Released Claims (including,

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without limitation, in any individual, class or putative class, representative or other action or proceeding), directly or indirectly, in any judicial, administrative, arbitral, or other forum, against the Released Parties.

- 13. The Settlement Agreement (including, without limitation, its exhibits), and any and all negotiations, documents, and discussions associated with it, shall not be deemed or construed to be an admission or evidence of any violation of any statute, law, rule, regulation or principle of common law or equity, of any liability or wrongdoing, by MVA, or of the truth of any of the claims asserted by Plaintiffs Abramson and Shelton in the Action, and evidence relating to the Settlement Agreement shall not be discoverable or used, directly or indirectly, in any way, whether in the Action or in any other action or proceeding, except for purposes of enforcing the terms and conditions of the Settlement Agreement, the Preliminary Approval Order, and/or this Order.
- 14. If for any reason the Settlement Agreement terminates, then certification of the Settlement Class shall be deemed vacated. In such an event, the certification of the Settlement Class for settlement purposes or any briefing or materials submitted seeking certification of the Settlement Class shall not be considered in connection with any subsequent class certification issues, and the Parties shall return to the status quo ante in the Action, without prejudice to the right of any of the Parties to assert any right or position that could have been asserted if the Settlement Agreement had never been reached or proposed to the Court.
- 15. The Court grants Class Counsel's application for fees and costs, and awards \$91,666.66 in attorneys' fees and \$11,250.00 in costs. The Court finds these amounts appropriate, fair, and reasonable. The Court awards \$5,000 each as an incentive award for Plaintiffs Abramson and Shelton and finds this amount fair and reasonable. The incentive award is to be treated as Misc. Income No. 3 on any 1099 Form issued to the Plaintiffs.

16. The Court retains jurisdiction of all matters relating to the interpretation, administration, implementation, effectuation, and enforcement of the Settlement Agreement.

Dated: August 3, 2021

/s/ Patricia L. Dodge

PATRICIA L. DODGE United States Magistrate Judge